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1. Large scale fortification work has been under way for some time in the Carpatho-Ukraine under the direction of the Uprovenstroj No. 117. The commander, Engineer Major General P. P. Zubienkov, has his office in the Koruna Hotel, Ushgorod (48°38'E; 22°19'N).

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2. The area of operations of fortified districts 111, 113, and 115 extends from Chort (48°11'N; 23°18'E) through Beregova (48°13'N; 22°40'E) to Peresin (48°39'N; 22°23'E). Details are as follows:

a. District 111 - East (Luhy, Lazoscina, Mokelki): Extends to the Haverlii summit and to the mountains where the Yasina-Stanislavov railway passes. This railway runs through the Yablonitsa Pass (48°22'N; 24°23'E) and is of great strategical importance, as it goes to the Berislav (49°16'N; 23°25'E) oil district. In June 1947, Engineer Major Aleksei P. Chumaliev was commander of this district.

b. District 113 - Center (Novoselica, Kelecin, Lake, Mukliva, Skotarske, Volovec, Hodplazi, Mik-Verecki): Based on the Skotarske Mountains, across which the Mukacevc-Lvov railway passes. In contrast to District 111, fortifications of District 113 are concentrated and virtually amount to defense of the railway. On the south, the first line of fortification begins near the tunnel between Volovec and Skotarko. Engineer Major General L. Brannan was commanding general of the district in November 1947.

c. District 115 - West (Lyuta, Uzok, Lupci, Volosanka, Luh, Viska, Stavna, Zahorb, Zernava, Kosirny, Solia, Zabrod): This district includes the Uzocka Mountains, through which passes the modernized (before the war) double track railway Lvov-Ushgorod-Cop-Budapest. The fortifications of the district, like those of district No. 111, extend mostly toward the Slovak frontier. District No. 115 is a very powerful anti-aircraft artillery base. Construction battalions [redacted] were working on the projects in October and November 1947.

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